

EPA Region 4

Water Management Division

Permit, Grants and Technical Assistance Branch

NPDES and Biosolids Permits Section

61 Forsyth Street

Atlanta, GA 30303

Transfer Agreement for the Offshore Subcategory of the Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category for the Eastern Portion of the Outer Continental Shelf of the Gulf of Mexico – GMG460000

Submission of this completed Transfer Agreement (TA) constitutes notice that Operator A intends to transfer National Pollutant Discharge Elimination system (NPDES) permit coverage to Operator B, to be authorized to discharge pollutants to Federal waters for the Gulf of Mexico seaward of the outer boundary of the Florida in the Easter Planning Area and Alabama and Mississippi in the Central Planning Area. Submission of the TA also constitutes notice that Operator A already has permit coverage for leases and blocks identified in Section D; that Operator B has read, understands, and meets the eligibility conditions in the operational facilities section of the Final General Permit for the above mentioned permit and Operator B agrees to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of the General Permit. This transfer is authorized by, and in accordance with 40 CFR 122.61 (a). This TA must be administratively complete for permit coverage to be transferred.

Operator A: Permittee transferring permit coverage to Operator B.

Permit Number assigned to Operator A for facilities identified in Section D: GMG46_____

1. **Operator Name:** _____
Contact Name: _____
Phone Number &/or E-mail: _____
2. **Mailing Address(Street or PO Box):** _____
3. **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____ - _____

Operator B: Legal entity ("person") receiving permit coverage from Operator A.

Permit Number of Operator B, if they already have permit coverage: GMG46_____

1. **Operator Name:** _____
Contact Name: _____
Phone Number &/or E-mail: _____
2. **Mailing Address(Street or PO Box):** _____
3. **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____ - _____

Section C: Effective Date of this Transfer Agreement (mm/dd/yyyy): ____/____/____

Section D: List of offshore lease area and block numbers assigned by the Department of Interior and well locations. State whether non-aqueous based drilling fluid (synthetic based muds (SBMs)) outfall coverage is needed for each well. (Y=Yes, N=No).

Lease Block + Number	Latitude	Longitude	SBM Y/N	EPA Use
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

For additional offshore wells, please list the names on another page with the certification statement, signatures of authorized officials, and dates.

Section E: Certification by entities identified as Operator A&B:

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Operator A

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Title: _____

Operator B

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Title: _____

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Instructions

This form is an optional form prepared to assist in the completion of the Transfer Agreement (TA) of permit coverage under the EPA Region 4 Eastern Outer Continental Shelf National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit [64 Fed. Reg. No. 74, pp 19156-19177, April 19, 1999, and modified at 66 Fed. Reg. No. 242, p. 65209, December 18, 2001], in accordance with 40 CFR 122.61 (a) and Part 1.A.2 of the permit. The permit language can be found on the internet at www.epa.gov/region4. TA's may be filed under this permit by Operator A if permit coverage has expired, has been administratively continued and the replacement general permit has not yet been issued.

40 CFR 122.61(a):

Transfers by modification. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a permit may be transferred by the permittee to a new owner or operator only if the permit has been modified or revoked and reissued (under Sec. 122.62(b)(2)), or a minor modification made (under Sec. 122.63(d)), to identify the new permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under CWA.

Where to File the TA Form: U.S. EPA Region 4
61 Forsyth St. SW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Completing the TA Form:

Please ensure all sections and requirements of this TA form have been completed. Failure to submit a completed TA will delay coverage as the omitted data will have to be requested and submitted prior to transfer coverage. You will only receive SBM Discharge Monitoring Report forms for those properties you identify as using SBMs.

The effective date in Section C must be either on or after the postmark date for which you submit this TA.

TA Certification: Federal statutes provide for severe penalties for submitting false information on this application form. The certifications must be made in accordance with the permit language and 40 CFR 122.22 and by authorized officials. The certification signatory for Operator A can be by someone who has been properly delegated authority by an authorized official and documented in EPA's NPDES file for the permittee. However, the certification signatory for Operator B must be by an actual authorized person because a permittee cannot delegate signatory authority until permit coverage is obtained. The following describes an authorized official from 40 CFR 122.22.

For a corporation: By a responsible corporate officer, which means: (i) president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision making functions, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities employing more than 250 persons or having gross annual sales or expenditures exceeding \$25 million (in second-quarter 1980 dollars) if authority to sign documents have been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures; for a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor; or for a municipality, State, Federal, or other public agency; by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.

Who is not authorized under this general permit:

Facilities which adversely affect properties listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Also, discharges into Areas of Biological Concern are not authorized by this permit.